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Joseph C. Walsh, et al.

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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED OFFICE ACTION

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On April 28, 2003, applicants received a final Office action mailed April 23, 2003, in the above-referenced application. In the final Office action, the Examiner applies several new references against applicants' claims. The Examiner, however, did not include a Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) with the final Office action and at least some of the references applied were not previously made of record in the present application. More specifically, at least the following U.S. patents are applied by the Examiner against applicants' claims but are not of record in the application:

5,314,114

2,412,141

2,434,756

3,168,233

Although applicants have been able to secure copies of these references, it is noted that the Examiner (in paragraph 5 of the final Office action) applies U.S.

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Patent No. 2,412,141 and identifies this reference as "Carr". The actual inventor of U.S. Patent No. 2,412,141, however, is "Ford" and not "Carr". Furthermore, the `141 patent does not appear have any relevance, whatsoever, to applicants' claimed invention. Accordingly, it appears that the Examiner's citation, in paragraph 5 of the final Office action is in error.

In view of the above, applicants require clarification before responding to the outstanding final Office action. Accordingly, applicants hereby respectfully request that a corrected Office action be issued (including a proper citation of the references applied) and that the statutory period for response be restarted as set forth in MPEP 710.06.

Respectfully submitted,

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